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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mrs. A. W. Somerville was in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Chapman was in So. Paris one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Chase were in So. Paris one day last week.

Mrs. Dellison Conroy visited relatives in Locke's Mills, Thursday.

Miss Ava Andrews of Norway is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mrs. Chas. Benn from Sunday River is caring for Mrs. Earl Cummings and son.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Vandenkerekhoven were in Lewiston a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Davis were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Swan, Sunday.

Miss Christine Purinton of Brunswick is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tibbetts.

Mrs. Harry Bryant from Newry visited relatives in Bethel a few days the last of the week.

Miss Bertha Cole spent the week and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole, at East Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cummings are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Sunday, Mar. 19.

Mrs. Alice Merrill and John Merrill of Norway were in Bethel, Friday, to attend Mrs. Merrill's funeral.

Mrs. Edna Bernier Merrill and husband of Upton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Harlow the first of the week.

Mr. George French and daughter of Mechanic Falls are guests of Mr. French's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. French.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F. B. Tuell, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. Subject, "Holman Day's Writings."

Mr. A. F. Copeland has taken the job of tearing down the W. W. Hastings block recently burned and began work last Saturday.

Mrs. B. J. Barker returned to her home in Norway, Sunday, after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Smith.

Miss Beatrice Chandler, who has been spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. Ella Carter, returned to her home in New York, Saturday.

Among those who attended Chapter meeting at Norway last Wednesday were: H. C. Rowe, E. B. McKee, E. L. Brown and P. B. Merrill.

Dr. Austin Tenney, oculist, will be at Parson's Studio, Saturday, April 1, and would be pleased to see anyone in need of glasses. See his ad elsewhere.

The Bethel Men's Club will meet at Bethel Inn, Wednesday evening, Mar. 22. Mr. Fred A. Tibbetts will give a paper on "Our Liabilities," which was postponed from the last meeting.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. J. C. Billings, Mar. 14, and held an interesting meeting, it being in observance of the birthday of Gen. Neal Dow. Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Billings on March 25, subject, "National Prohibition."

At the Democratic Caucus held at the Lockup last Saturday the following were chosen delegates to the State Convention at Bangor: P. L. Edwards, J. P. Skilling, Wade Thurston, Z. W. Arlett; alternates: M. L. Thurston, W. W. Hastings, H. M. Farwell, H. B. Thurston. District Convention at Lewiston: W. C. Bryant, Aldra Smith, A. M. Merrill, Eugene Merrill; alternates: John Howe, P. B. Howe, Clarence Bennett, Elton Browne. Town Committee: P. L. Edwards, Chairman; J. C. Thurston, Secretary; John Laughlin, G. D. Merrill, Z. W. Hartlett, John Howe, Wade Thurston, Clarence Bennett, Morton Abbott, Fred Holt.

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Mrs. Dennis Kilgore of Newry was in town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brown of Albany were in Bethel last week.

Dr. F. B. Tuell was in Portland on business, Friday and Saturday.

Leander Bennett from North Newry was at M. L. Thurston's, recently.

Mr. Horace Annis went to So. Paris last week, being on the grand jury.

Rev. Mr. Little was called to Bowdoinham last Friday to attend a funeral.

Miss Marcia Phipps of Milan, N. H., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards.

Miss Florence Carter of Portland was a week end guest of her mother, Mrs. Ella Carter.

Mrs. B. F. Fickett, who has been visiting at Five Islands, returned home, Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Philbrook went to Boston, Tuesday, to get the latest styles in dressmaking.

Miss Alta Cummings from Albany visited Mrs. Harry Inman a few days the last of the week.

Sherman Merrill from Minot was in Bethel last week to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Jane Merrill.

Venue and Arnel Brown have finished cutting wood for Bert Brown on account of the depth of the snow.

Mrs. Lawrence Lavorgna, who has been spending several days with her parents in Hartford, Mo., has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sidelinger have moved into one of the rents in the Curtis house on the corner of Mechanic and Railroad streets.

May Allen and two sons, Glendon and George, visited at her brothers, Alvin Baker's, on Sunday River several days the past week.

Miss Azerlen Hamlin, who has been spending several weeks with Mrs. Leola Howe, returned to her home in Milan, N. H., Saturday.

Mr. Samuel McPherson was a guest of Mrs. Sarah B. Frost last week and is now visiting his sister, Mary McPherson, at Hanover.

Mrs. William Lowe, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harris White, in Bradford, Mass., the past few weeks, has returned home.

Mrs. George Briggs came to Bethel to help care for her aunt, Mrs. Jane Merrill, and remained with Mrs. Jasper Cates a few days after the funeral.

Messrs. W. P. Clark, John Anderson and Fred Chapman were chosen Tuesday as additional jurors on account of the murder trial which is to be held at Paris this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hall, who have been spending the winter with Mr. Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Hall, returned to their home in Hingham, Me., Tuesday.

The young people of the M. E. church will hold a social in the Men's Class Room, Friday evening, March 24. All are requested to bring some object which they can spare, worth five cents. This object is to be wrapped in paper that it may not be recognized. Homemade candy on sale, games and a short program will be enjoyed.

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It was an old saying of the Jews—who of all people made a profound study of human nature—that it could have a child until it was 4 years old any one else could have for the rest of his life; they would carry what influences he came under during all the following years, for would never forget his early training. True it is that during the first 4 years of life ineducable lessons are learned, the foundations of character are laid, an attitude of mind is given which ordinarily will last for the whole, through the whole life of the individual. All this happens before the child begins to acquire any education in the normal sense of the word.

It is in the earliest periods of life that a mother's responsibilities are great and her opportunity for making or marring her child's character is many. After a few years the child will pass from her control sooner or later in greater or less degree; probably, the years pass, she who clings most determinedly to the exercise of control will lose its reality most quickly. Certainly she who only commences to exercise it consciously as her child passes out of babyhood into the stage of childhood will find far more of the semblance than of the reality in all her dealings; and if she deplores this—explores that her power is only effective by conscious effort, that an elusive spirit of opposition underlies outward compliance—she will probably find the cause in those past days of babyhood when doubtless the tiny body was well cared for, when dainty dresses and pretty ways were admired, but when the potentialities hidden in the small almost toylike, atom were disregarded or unrealized.

To most mothers presumably there is something of sadness in the passing of babyhood.

But the wise woman does not worry. She knows that the time is coming when she will reap the fruit of the seeds she has sown during the years few in themselves as years, but multiplied almost indefinitely when regarded as the weeks, the days—aye, even the hours—during which she has been patiently and untriflingly laying the foundations for the future. Then the coming years have a personal interest unknown to the haphazard mother; for few things are more absorbing in fascination than to see the results, perhaps long delayed, of carefully worked out schemes.

The first thing then to do in this or any other work of preparation is to think out carefully a definite scheme. Most training falls more or less egregiously because it is left to haphazard methods. No sensible woman would expect an undertaking which depended upon the co-operation of other personalities to succeed without reasoned care and thought being bestowed upon the proceedings to be followed. Now in the training of a child the environment is a factor of immense importance, and this must be obtained of favorable character by the organizing powers of the mother. For this reason, the simplest life is the easiest to control, and the fewer influences and personalities which are necessarily introduced into a baby's surroundings the easier becomes the task of the mother whose will and personality are to be, as they should, the guiding power in the early days.

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Dec. 27, 1908	"I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."
Aug. 15, 1909	"Peruna saved me when I have a cold. I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."
Jan. 4, 1910	"I was threatened with a cold when I took Peruna. I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."
May 17, 1912	"I am glad to do so. I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."
May 6, 1914	"I have always been in my work. I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."
Mar. 22, 1915	"I have divided many times. I still tell every one I have a cold when I take a cold. Peruna saved me."

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REWARD THE DAUGHTER

WHO STAYS HOME.

Are you giving your daughter a square deal? At the question you undoubtedly square your shoulders, pull down your mouth and snuff with resentment at the suggestion that you may not play fair with your own child. And yet many a mother and father are guilty of this very act. Not consciously perhaps—one would hardly be willing to suppose that any man or woman would deliberately act in an unfair way to their own offspring—but the fact that injustice is done unconsciously does not make that injustice any easier to bear.

The girl who works in her home "helping mother with the housework" and receives for the work no monetary compensation is certainly not receiving a square deal from her family. And there are hundreds, no thousands, of girls in just such a position, doing the hardest sort of manual work and receiving not so much as a "thank you" for it. It is a daughter's duty to help her mother, perhaps you say, and rightly so to a certain degree, but the help in the home should not have her work accepted as a matter of fact and be deprived of some sort of a wage in recompense for her services.

That housework is decidedly unpopular with the majority of girls is evinced by the fact that nine out of ten prefer a paid position outside of the home to one within their own family circle. And the reason for this is very clear. Out in the world the girl may have to work hard, she has not the protection of home. She has to battle to push herself up the ladder of success. But all this work has its compensation. She receives at the end of each week a certain sum, no matter how small, that is all her own, earned by her own efforts.

In the home she works just as hard in the majority of cases, for no one who has had to run a home denies that housework is the hardest sort of work any woman can undertake. But she works without hours and without pay. She is at the beck and call of the household at any hour of the day and night. She must perfect herself not in one art, but in half a dozen. Cooking, sewing, mending, cleaning, washing, bedmaking. At the end of the week does she receive any recognition of her labor? No. There is no pay envelope to be opened delightedly of ten there is not even a thank you from those she has served all week.

Now, on the face of it, this is most unfair. The girl who must work merely for her bed and board will soon become nothing but a drudge. She will acquire the mental habits of a drudge. She will lose all her independence. It is far better for her to seek work out in the world where her efforts will be

recognized, where there is some chance of advancement, than to expend energy in labors which go unrewarded.

NORTH NORWAY.

Breaking roads has been the order of the day the past week.

Lauren Lord has finished work for Fred Tiersey.

E. T. Jenkins recently sold a cow and veal calf to R. D. Gauld of Paris.

Mrs. E. A. Cox has been in Auburn for several days, called there by the illness of her grandson.

School at Swift's Corner closes Mar. 24, for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hersey and children, also Geo. French visited at H. A. Knight's, Norway Center, Sunday.

There was a social at the Center church, Saturday night. Owing to bad roads the attendance was not large.

Chas. Foster, who has spent the past winter in Lakeland, Florida, is expected home the last of this month.

Carroll Horlick has been cutting wood for Oscar Cox.

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NEWBY.

G. H. Learned will finish hauling this week for F. S. Douglass, and will take his own barge to Skillings mill. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Warren and little daughter of Bridgton were at Newell Gwyn's last week and called on some friends in town, returning to Bridgton, Sunday.

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WEST PERU.

Leland Frost, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Perley Frost, was operated on for appendicitis at McCarty's hospital, Rumford, last week, his mother is staying there with him.

George Snell of Rhode Island is stopping with George Heffron and family for a few weeks.

H. L. Fuller, D. C. Cheney and O. J. Chase have each lost a horse this last week.

Elder Osborne of Fairfield is a guest of J. G. and H. J. Tyler for a few days.

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IT WILL MEAN
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CANTON

Charles G. Ellis is confined to his bed with the grip. E. K. Hollis is attending to his trucking business.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. Ella L. Swasey.

A daughter was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Lavorgna.

Prin. D. B. Partridge went to Hebron Academy, Friday, where he was one of the judges at the prize speaking contest, Friday evening.

W. J. Heald and family of Bangor are guests of his father, Cyrus D. Heald, and family.

Leo Martin is seriously ill.

Chas. Berry and son, Herman Berry, of Hartford are ill with the grip.

D. A. Corliss of Hartford is quite ill. J. M. Johnson of Lewiston has been a guest of his brother, Geo. H. Johnson, and family.

Mrs. Henry Brown of Hartford is critically ill.

Miss Alice Bennett of Biddeford has been a guest of Mrs. M. J. Howes and family.

Miss Eunice Dunham Alley passed away, Saturday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Irish of Hartford, where she has lived for the past few years. Miss Alley fell and fractured her hip about six weeks ago and has since been in failing health. She was 87 years of age and was born in Hartford, the daughter of Otis Alley and Eunice Dunham Alley. She was one of Maine's pensioned school teachers and had taught in Canton, Hartford, Sumner, Buckfield and Peru. She made her home in Canton for a number of years. She was a member of the Canton Baptist church. Her life had been a long and useful one.

Mrs. John N. Foye has been spending a few days in Kingsfield, a guest of Rev. and Mrs. A. G. Murray, former Canton residents.

Frank Richardson has completed his course of study at Bliss Business College and received his diploma. He returned to his home in Canton, Friday.

A public supper, entertainment and social will be held at Canton Grange Hall, Wednesday of this week, under the auspices of Canton Grange.

M. J. Howes and G. W. Carson are recovering from the grip.

Mrs. Fred E. Adkins of Livermore is confined to her home by illness and the members of Canton Grange are sending her cards and good cheer.

Miss Alice Nulty has been ill. Miss Ruth Johnson has been attending her store.

Miss Marguerite Hollis attended the speaking contest at Hebron, Friday. Walter Farrar has been attending court at South Paris.

The Misses Mildred and Ruth Richardson attended the glee club entertainment of Colby College at Waterville, Friday evening, and also visited their aunt, Mrs. W. S. Ingersoll, and family of Winthrop.

The remains of Clifford M. Tracy of Auburn were brought to Canton for burial, Friday. Mr. Tracy was born in Canton and spent his boyhood days here.

Miss Mary I. Richardson received 75 cards and letters on her birthday, Wednesday, and many nice gifts, among them being a set of knitted table mats from Mrs. Sabra Robinson of Peru, who is 90 years old, the work of her own hands; also a box of wild flowers from California and a large bouquet of carnations from friends.

The exhibition of Canton High school, held Thursday evening at the Opera House was one of the best and a large and appreciative audience greeted the performance. The program was as follows: Music by the high school orchestra, composed of Miss Madeline Hines, violin. Miss Marguerite Hollis, piano, and Ansel Ellis, cornet. The ten pupils who took part in the speaking contest marched into the hall, with Nathan White as marshal. Prayer by Rev. E. M. Swift, followed by music by the orchestra. The speakers were: Miss Mabel Hines, Charles Hollis, Miss Ora Woodward, Harold Bradford, Miss Helen Skele, Arthur Tucker, Miss Eleanor Westgate, Miss Katherine Hollis and Chas. Bartlett.

Does Your Child Have Worms?

Thousands of children suffer agonies from worms and their parents do not know it. Familiar symptoms of worms in children are: Derranged stomach, swollen upper lip, sour stomach, offensive breath, hard and full belly with occasional gripings and pains about the navel, pale face of leaden tint, eyes heavy and dull, twitching eyelids, itching of the nose, itching of the rectum, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, little red points sticking out on tongue, starting during sleep, slow fever. Worms are subject to worms all the year.

The one best remedy is Dr. Tru's Pinkie, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller. Good for adults also. Mrs. Curtis, of Houston, Texas, believes this, and writes that she will be glad to tell her friends of the benefits she has received. Get a bottle today—at your dealer's, 25c, 50c and \$1. Advice free. Write me today.

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We are selling Women's Russian Calf Button and Lace Boots the \$4.00 grade for \$1.65. Below are the sizes and widths now in stock.

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NORWAY,

MAINE.

An Indian club drill by seven boys, namely, Donald Adams, Chas. Hollis, Ansel Ellis, John Tripp, Erlon Tripp, Clara Johnson and Chas. Bartlett, was one of the best features of the entertainment, and they responded to an encore. A butterfly dance by five young ladies dressed in yellow butterfly costumes was a most charming part of the program and was most enthusiastically received, and they responded to a recall. Those who took part were Marjorie McLain, Ora Woodward, Norma Heald, Elva Woodward and Ruth Gammon. The entertainment closed with music by the orchestra.

Charles Hollis was chosen from the speakers to go to Waterville, May 12, to take part in the Lyford speaking contest, under the auspices of Colby College.

Copies of the first issue of the High school paper, "The Nontins," are on sale.

Pulaski Hodge is seriously ill.

RAISING GEESSE.

A Profitable Venture For Most Any Farm.

By G. E. Conkey.

Geese could be profitably kept on most every farm, for they are easily raised and there is little expense connected with their feeding.

Goose culture requires less capital than any other branch of the poultry business, as very little housing is necessary and they are turned onto the land much like cattle. There are many places on the average farm not suitable for cultivation or for the raising of chickens. These places could be profitably utilized for a goose pasture. Low swampy places can be used provided there is also some high ground. The quarters should be kept reasonably clean for while they will stand considerable more filth and neglect than will chickens, it is not the proper way to care for them and good results cannot be obtained without considering the health of the flock.

MATING.

Mating usually takes place some time in February and after the fowls have been penned together for a week or ten days, it is not necessary to keep the various pens separated. Once the family ties are established, they should be lived up to during the entire season. Two or three females are all that should be mated to a male.

Geese are long lived and ten year old birds are quite common. Females of three years or over are the best for breeding purposes and their usefulness continues throughout their entire life. Young geanders are more desirable for breeders because of their activity. Old geanders also get quarrelsome with age.

VARIETIES.

Breeding stock should not be over-

fat. Like in poultry there is a wide difference of opinion as to which is the best breed of geese, but the Toulouse, Embden and African are the heavyweights of the goose family and have proven the most popular for general purposes. Other varieties are the Chinese, Wild or Canadian and Egyptian. In the heavier varieties the weight runs up to twenty and twenty-five pounds in the males. Females will weigh a few pounds less.

A goose will lay from twelve to twenty eggs before becoming broody. About twelve, however, is the right number for a setting to secure the best results. Thirty days are necessary for incubation. A season's laying will run from twenty to fifty eggs.

FEEDING AND RANGE.

If geese are well hatched, little difficulty will be experienced in raising them. They will be given about the same mash feed as little chicks or ducks with the exception that green food, such as fine cut grass or vegetable matter should be given liberally several times a day after the first day.

The old geese should be kept in a coop and the goslings allowed to run about. Observe practically the same rules as are used with ducks. Avoid chilling and wetting. After a month they can be let out to range and if the pasture is good, only a little other food will be required. They are very light eaters and but little attention is required. A good mash can be made by mixing two parts bran with one of cornmeal. A variety of vegetables, such as beets, turnips, cabbage, etc., can be used to very good advantage in their feeding.

FATTENING FOR MARKET.

The best time for fattening your young stock or green geese, as they are sometimes called, is just when the main wing feathers reach the base of the tail. Feed heavily on mash during the following three weeks and this will put them in the very best of condition for marketing.

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| May 17, 1912 | "I am glad to do anything I can for Peruna." |
| May 6, 1914 | "I have always been a nurse. Peruna has helped me in my work more than all other medicines." |
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The above quotations give a vague glimpse of the correspondence we have had with Mrs. Tanner since 1899. Our files, which cover twenty-five years, include many similar correspondents.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1916.

GRANGE NOTES.

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Three members of W. Paris Grange, Bro. Harold Porter, Sisters Mrs. Bird and Miss Iona Littlejohn very kindly aided in the program.

"Preparedness" was again discussed by several other Grange members.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE.
Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 120, West Bethel, held a special meeting, Tuesday evening, March 21, for the purpose of giving a candidate the third and fourth degrees. There were twenty-three members present. Officers present: P. L. Bean, Overseer; Emma Mills, Chaplain; Alice Brown, Flora; Fannie McKenney, Pomona.

NORWAY GRANGE.
At the special meeting held by Norway Grange on March 18, the forenoon was devoted to routine work and conferring the third and fourth degrees. After dinner, (and how they do enjoy a Grange dinner), an open meeting was declared and organization of the Boys' Sweet Corn Club was taken up by Prof. Mitchell, with officers as follows:
President—Edgar Dunn.
Vice-Pres.—Willard Buck, Jr.
Secretary—Howard Bonnett.
Treasurer—Pearl Noble.
Leader—Hon. J. A. Roberts.
A Girls' Canning Club was organized with officers as follows:
President—Doris Longley.
Vice-Pres.—Mildred Bradbury.
Secretary—Adelma DeCoster.
Treasurer—Alice Bartlett.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.
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Leader—Mrs. Grace Dunn.
Their meetings to be held second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

A very interesting talk was given the boys and girls, pertaining to the work of clubs, and also the helpful suggestions he would be able to give them in his official capacity, as general supervisor of Oxford County. Rev. D. A. Ball, Leader of the Boys' Sweet Corn Club at West Paris gave a short talk. The Lecturer then presented a short program.

St. Patrick's Day Clog, violin, A. M. Dunham, piano, Mrs. Eva Jackson; the dancers were the two Noble sisters, granddaughters of A. M. Dunham.
Piano Duet, encore,
Adeline DeCoster, Miss Foster
Reading, encore,
Ora Howe
Song, "Plow, Spade and Hoe."
Grange Chorus
Prof. Morse, leader of South Paris Boys' Sweet Corn Club, spoke of woman suffrage and then gave a reading pertinent to the topic, encore.
Prof. Mitchell told a story, and, yes, they all had a good time at the "Old Folks Ball" in spite of wind and drifting snow.
Lecturer's period, March 25:
Music.
Topic—Economic Value of a Garden.
Opened by Sister Lisle Cox
Topic—Location of the Garden and Best Preparation of the Soil, Brothers Chas. Frost, Alvin Brown, and Oscar Cox.
Reading, Mildred Bradbury
Motto for the day, Sister Lizzie Howe
A Pomological meeting was held at Norway Grange Hall, Tuesday, Mar. 21.

S. J. COURT.

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George Sparks, indicted for stealing suit of clothes, plea not guilty.

Warren Cook, held for an assault on Edward Fraser, plea guilty. On motion by the county attorney, the case was put on file and after a little lecture by the Court, he was allowed to go.

John Chambers, indicted for abandoning minor child, plea not guilty.

Albert St. Pierre, indicted for breaking, entering and larceny, plea not guilty.

Fred Furbush, indicted for breaking, entering and larceny, plea not guilty.

He also pleaded guilty to another indictment for larceny. The Court sentenced him to not more than five or less than 2 1/2 years at hard labor at Thomaston.

Joe Ross, indicted for assault, plea not guilty.

Norman McKinnis, indicted for larceny, plea guilty. The case was filed and he was allowed to go.

PRUNING TREES

AND SHRUBS.

Shape and Flowering Habits of Ornamental Plants Controlled by Trimming in Early Spring.

A little care given to the pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs during the early part of March will do much to control their growing and flowering habits and enable the home owner to have well-formed plants and well-trained hedges or boundary plantings. The pruning of ornamental trees and shrubs is, in fact, one of the first duties that may profitably be performed in the home garden. The amateur, however, should not make a ruthless assault with shears or pruning knife upon everything in his yard.

Flowering trees and shrubs that bloom in the spring or early summer should not receive radical pruning at this time, according to the garden specialists of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. Of course, if on these plants there are dead or weak branches, these should be taken out, and any crossing limbs that are rubbing and seriously interfering with



LOWELL ANIMAL FERTILIZERS

To Progressive Farmers:

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C. F. FARRINGTON, Lookie's Mills, Maine.

the growth of the brush should be removed. The tips of the limbs, however, should not be cut off, nor should any young wood that does not interfere with the growth of the bush be removed. It must be borne in mind that the blossom buds for this year's flowering were formed last year, and every shoot removed takes off that much of the prospective blossoms.

Trees and shrubs that bear their flowers in midsummer and which were not pruned in the fall may be pruned at this time. Plants of this sort are the Rose of Sharon and the shrubby hydrangea. Where the largest possible mass effect is desired, these plants should be pruned but little. If the aim is to secure the largest possible trusses or blossom heads, last year's growth should be pruned back to two or three eyes to a stem. Such severe pruning, however, is not conducive to the most attractive development of shrubs.

Pruning Rose Bushes.
Climbing roses should not be pruned

at this time except for the removal of surplus or interfering branches. Every bit of wood removed now reduces the amount of bloom the plant will bear during the coming season. Roses used in border planting should be treated in exactly the same way as other shrubs, except that many of these species will be improved by having all their old wood cut away once in every five or six years. This would mean cutting all the old canes off within three or four inches of the ground and forcing the bush to throw up entirely new wood.

Roses used for cut flowers, like the hybrid perpetuals, the hybrid teas, and teas, should be severely pruned. The hybrid perpetuals may be cut as soon as freezing weather is past. Pruning of the hybrid teas and teas, however, should be left until the young growth has started. In both cases the plant should be cut to within 6 inches or 1 foot of the ground. Four or six eyes to a stem is about the proper amount of wood to leave.

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Ladies New Spring Coats, Suits, Waists, Dresses, Petticoats, Muslin Underwear, Corsets, Etc. Children's New Spring Coats, Dresses, Muslin Underwear, Bonnets, Etc. Dress Goods, Silks, Wash Goods. Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Sheetings, Ribbons, Neckwear, Gloves, Hosiery, Shoes, Men's Furnishings. Toilet Goods, Jewelry, Small Wares, Stationery, Dinner Ware, Glassware, Cooking Ware, Silverware, Etc., Etc.

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RUMFORD

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Leo Steinfeld has completed his store at Harry N. clothier.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. East Rumford are spending time in Washington, D. C.

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There is in the treasury the sum of \$2,450.37. This grand showing is a great tribute to the present board of assessors, Cass P. Votter, Fred W. Davis and J. B. Tardiff.

In the near future, the Maine Coated Paper Co., will begin a \$200,000 addition to its plant. When this is completed, it will mean quite a number of additional men employed. The addition to the Oxford mill, which is being completed, will give quite a number of men employment, it being estimated that the two additions will mean the employment of at least 400 men.

A special convocation of Stratglass Commandery, No. 21, Knights Templar, will be held at the Aylum, Masonic Hall, on Friday evening of this week at eight o'clock, when an official inspection will take place by Right Eminent Commander Sir Arthur S. Littlefield, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine and his suite. Work, Order of the Temple. There will be a banquet at 6:45 P. M.

The Maine Highway Commission last week signed a contract with James H. Kerr of this town for the construction of the abutments for the bridge at New Sharon.

The 2nd Regiment Infantry (Co. B.) of this town expect to be called immediately to the border of Mexico if any trouble takes place with Carranza's troops. This company is considered one of the best drilled of the National Guards.

Stratglass Commandery Knights Templar, No. 21, have received an invitation from St. Albans Commandery of Portland to attend with their ladies, the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of St. Albans Commandery to be held at Masonic Temple, Portland, on May 4th.

On Friday evening last Miss Ella Ames of the Rumford post office entertained at her home on Rumford avenue, in honor of Postmaster Fred H. Atwood, whose term of office terminates on April 1st, after a service of sixteen years. Mr. and Mrs. Atwood were invited, together with Mrs. Frank Smith, a former employee of the post office, to take supper at the Ames home, while in the early evening the entire staff of the employees of the post office and the carriers with their wives, congregated at the Ames home, it coming as a great surprise to Mr. Atwood. The evening was pleasantly passed socially, and a most delicious lunch was served by the hostess. Before the dispersment of the crowd, Mr. Atwood was presented with a large framed picture, containing the pictures of each member of the post office staff who had worked under him. Among those who were present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sparks, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Akers, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ladd, Mr. Arthur Lane, Mr. Robert Ladd, and Mr. Fred Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Harris have been making a two weeks' stay in Wilmington, Delaware, as the guests of Mr. Harris' brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wheeler, who for the past two years have resided in one of the Isaac W. Greenhouses on Franklin street, have given up their home here, and the first of April will take up their future residence in Portland. The house occupied by them will be taken by Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Cooke as soon as vacated.

The St. Patrick's concert given on Sunday evening at the Majestic Theatre under the auspices of Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, was very largely attended and a fine and varied program was carried out. Among the interesting numbers of the entertainment were vocal selections by Mr. and Mrs. James McEwen, Mr. David Cunningham, Fred Kink and John Green; readings by Adeline Grixo and Arthur Curran, flute solo by Frank Hy-

WEST PARIS

A Saint Patrick's party was given by the ladies of the Jolly Twelve Whist Club on Friday evening, March 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ridlon, in observance of Gentleman's Night. The house was prettily decorated with green flags, shamrocks and garlands of green and white. There were five tables of whist and prizes were won as follows: Ladies, Mrs. L. N. Penley; gentleman's prize, C. L. Ridlon; consolation prizes, Mrs. Harold Dunham and A. D. Swift. At about 10:30 o'clock all met in the dining room where a most excellent supper awaited them. Twenty plates were laid.

West Paris Grange visited Franklin Grange at Bryant's Pond last Saturday and report a good time.

Mrs. Fred R. Andrews, who has been quite ill, is convalescent.

Mrs. Edgar F. Barrows is sick with the grip.

Mrs. Emma Rose recently visited in Lewiston.

Mrs. Lena Farnum was in Boston last week, buying millinery for spring trade.

Mrs. Nellie Hammond of Gorham, N. H., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Curtis.

Miss Doris Field has returned from Bethel, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. L. Swan. She attended the Chapman concert while there.

Several from here attended the Grange meeting at Bryant's Pond last Saturday by invitation.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Ray Thurston's crew and teams came out of the woods, Monday.

Axel Wilson carried four men to Errol, Monday.

Mrs. R. H. Ripley visited Mrs. Axel Wilson, Sunday.

Mrs. Nora Bennett and daughter, Sybil and Mrs. Allen Harriman of Errol, were calling on friends, Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Hart and Mrs. C. T. Fox were visitors at Mrs. J. F. Hart's, Tuesday.

Linwood Wilson has been at home for a week's vacation.

Fawn Littlehall and wife have gone to Errol and Mr. Littlehall is driving the stage.

Leslie Hart and Mrs. Jennie Nason are down from the lake.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns'. See advt.

an; piano solo by Miss Catherine Macsett; mandolin and guitar duet by Zockel and Rogers; and a piano duet by the Misses Lenora and Edith Ellis. Several pretty tableaux and sketches were well carried off as "Nearer, My God, to Thee" by Altar Boys; "The Ten Virgins," by Choir Girls; the "Kerry Dance," by a Chorus; and "The Zone Police," by four boys. The program closed by the singing of Star Spangled Banner by the entire company, and each one was presented with a tiny American flag. Webbers orchestra with Mrs. N. P. Iarsonson as pianist was in attendance.

The Rumford Falls Power Co., in the construction of the new upper level canal which has been previously reported, are changing their plans somewhat, and the new concrete dam will be built below the present dam and nearer the head of the falls, one object being to utilize the present wooden dam as a coffer for holding back the river during construction. Also from this point, the cost of canal construction will be much less than from the original point contemplated.

It has become necessary for the Continental Paper Bag Mill of this town to send all paper bags from Rumford to their place of destination by express as an embargo has been placed upon paper bags, thus prohibiting shipment by freight.

Miss Mary Raynes of York street, a senior in the Rumford High school, is working as stenographer for Mr. J. B. Marble at Dixfield for the next two or three weeks.

ANDOVER

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ralph Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallie Marston are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born Mar. 15.

Dick Melcher was in town from Rumford last week.

Road commissioner, O. T. Poor has been working on the roads this week. Bert Dunn has entered Dr. McCarty's Hospital at Rumford for treatment.

Mrs. S. W. Marston has been ill with the grip.

Matilda Hall, who has been teaching in Bingham, is spending her vacation with her father, L. R. Hall.

The Grange Sewing Circle has an all day meeting, Friday, at Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy's.

Alice Averill has finished working for Mrs. Bert Dunn. Mrs. Dunn and children are spending a few days with her parents, Geo. Thomas and wife.

Claude Marston and family have been quite ill with the grip.

Cedric Thurston came from Aziscoos last week and has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Irving Hanson, at Rumford.

Mrs. Davis Rand is caring for Mrs. Wallie Marston.

Mrs. Oliver Merrill, who has been very ill, is comfortable.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club was delightfully entertained Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Lovejoy, Maple street, by Mrs. Lovejoy and Mrs. Olive Dresser.

The evening was spent in playing whist with Mrs. C. A. Rand and Mrs. Lovejoy winning the highest scores and Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and Fred Smith the lowest.

Refreshments of ice cream, assorted cake, coffee, fancy crackers and cheese were served by the hostesses. The party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Grover, who are soon to leave town for their new home at Leeds, Me. The ladies of the club presented Mrs. Grover with a handsome china plate.

Mrs. Edward Akers has been suffering from an attack of neuritis.

Everett Thurston, who has one of his eyes injured by being hit with a good stick while playing is at Portland under the care of a specialist.

The Young People's Whist met Thursday evening of last week. Miss Ellen Akers and Harry Thomas won the first prizes. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Blanche Gibbs and son, Howard, of South Windham, Me., have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Louise Learned.

Ray Thurston has completed his lumber contract of 3,100,000 feet of logs at Aziscoos and is at Portland this week with his son, Everett, who is being treated by a specialist.

Davis Rand is the guest of his son, C. A. Rand.

GILEAD.

Mrs. Nancy Heath is ill at this writing.

Charles Ryerson has finished driving team for G. E. Leighton.

Harold Moore of Norway is spending a few days with his father, S. A. Moore.

Helen Morse of Berlin, N. H., was in town recently.

Joseph Lary has finished work on the railroad section and Chester Olmstead has taken his place.

Fred N. Wheeler of Berlin, N. H., was a recent visitor in town.

The buildings of Mr. and Mrs. James DeCoster were totally destroyed by fire early last Thursday morning, and they were unable to save any of their furnishings whatever. Much sympathy is extended to them in their loss.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns'. See advt.

The woman who acquires the habit of eavesdropping ought not to complain if she is eventually compelled to leave her own roof.

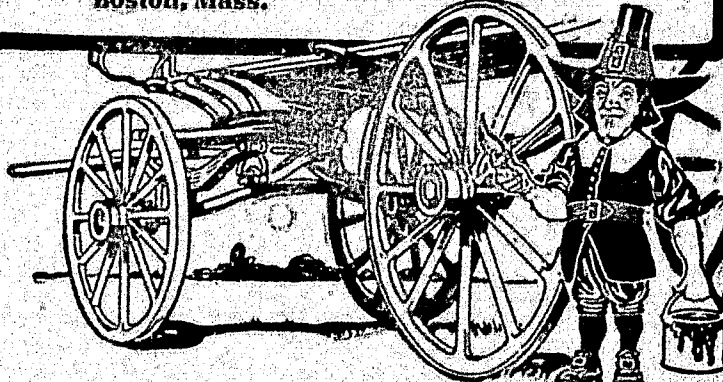
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas William N. Anderson of Freeport, Cumberland County, State of Maine, by his mortgage deed dated the 12th of June, 1908, and recorded in the W. D. Oxford Registry of Deeds, in said State, Book 104, Page 110, conveyed to Benjamin F. Conant of said Freeport, a certain parcel of real estate situated in Fryeburg, in the County of Oxford and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of land of Eldora C. Lord, thence westerly twenty-four (24) rods to a stake or stone; thence southerly twenty-four (24) rods to a stake or stone; thence easterly to the County road leading from East Fryeburg to Denmark; thence northerly to the point of beginning.

Also all the land on the easterly side of the County road leading from East Fryeburg to Denmark. The same being a portion of the land conveyed to Eli H. Witham and Betsey L. Witham by Elmer A. Harnden by his deed dated Sept. 19th, A. D. 1903, and recorded in W. D. Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 92, Page 165, to which deed reference is made for a more particular description.

Reserving and excepting the small building on the easterly side of said road, formerly used as a blacksmith shop; and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken;

Whereas the said Benjamin F. Conant is deceased and Edgar W. Conant, the undersigned, was duly appointed administrator of the said Benjamin F. Conant by the Probate Court for the County of Cumberland in said State on July 14, 1915; and is now acting as such administrator:

Now therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage.

Frederick, Me., Feb. 21, 1916.

EDGAR W. CONANT,
Administrator of the estate of said Benjamin F. Conant.

3-3-16.

WATCH SHORTAGES IN WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The attention of the Bureau of Weights and Measures at the State House has been frequently called to the fact that butter and other articles of food are being sold at short weight, and when the informant is asked to make complaint, or give the name of the parties selling the goods, invariably the reply is that the amount of short weight is small and the person who made the purchases does not care to be known, and many other excuses.

The following communication in regard to weights and measures was issued from that department recently:

"Housekeeping is a profession and a business. The housekeeper is the head of the receiving and checking department of the business side of the home. It is her duty to see that one dollar buys 100 cents' worth."

"Here are a few things for the housewife to consider:

"Do you know what small shortages mean? Examples:

"Shortage, one ounce; commodity, one pound of butter; price, 30 cents; weekly sale, 500 pounds; yearly illegal profit, \$500.

"Shortage, one ounce; commodity, one pound of candy; price, 40 cents; weekly sale, 500 pounds; yearly illegal profit, \$600.00.

"Shortage, two pounds; commodity, 100 pounds of grain; price, \$1.75; weekly sale, two carloads; yearly illegal profit, \$1,500.00.

"Shortage, 10 ounces; commodity, five-pound pail of lard; price, 75 cents; weekly sale, 500 pails; yearly illegal profit, \$2,700.00.

"This does not mean that shortages are found only in these commodities. Try it on anything you buy. Then ask yourself: 'Who pays for this illegal profit?' Answer: 'I do.'

"Do you count your change? If you do, check the weight or measure of what you buy.

"Ask for what you want in definite terms, demand what you ask for and don't pay for it until you get it."

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas Byron H. Braden and Mary M. Braden, then of Brownfield in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, did, on the twenty-eighth day of September, A. D. 1901, by their mortgage deed of that date, duly executed and recorded in Oxford, Western District Registry of Deeds, in Book 83, Page 645, convey to one Loring R. Giles the following described real estate, viz:

"A certain lot or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Brownfield and bounded northerly by land of Carl C. Blake, easterly by land of William W. Spring, southerly by the Dugway road so called. Also another parcel of land on the westerly side of said Dugway road, and bounded on one side by said road, and on all other sides by land of Carl C. Blake and Nahum Clough, the above parcels of land and buildings comprise the homestead farm of the late Nancy Mason Perry. Also another parcel of land (meadow) situated in said Brownfield, and is the west half of lot numbered six (6) on the west side of Saco River, and is a part of what is called the Spring lot containing six and one quarter (6 1/4) acres, more or less. Meaning hereby to mortgage deed said Giles the same land that he this day deeded us, for further description, see deed of Lytton P. Chandler to Loring R. Giles, which is recorded in Western Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 87, Page 120."

And whereas said mortgage was thereafterward, to wit, on the 5th day of August, 1910, duly assigned to me, the subscriber, by Erwin G. Giles, administrator of the goods and estate, which were of said Loring R. Giles, who was then deceased, by his written assignment thereof, duly recorded in said Registry in Book 83, Page 545; and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken:

Now, therefore, I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage by reason of the breach of its conditions, in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided.

Porter, Maine, March 6th, 1916.

JOHN C. BRADEN.

3-3-16.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas Luther C. Moody and Hannah M. Moody, then of Porter in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, did, on the second day of May, A. D. 1908, by their mortgage deed of that date, duly executed by them and recorded in Oxford Western District Registry of Deeds in Book 91, Page 542, convey in mortgage to me, the subscriber, certain parcels of land situated South on the North and part on the South side of the road leading from the "Old County Road" to the "Brownfield Road" in the town of Porter, being the homestead farm now owned by the said Hannah M. Moody in said Porter, and being the same conveyed to John Douglas, father of the said Hannah M. Moody by Dennis Stanley, by his deed dated October 18th, 1917, and recorded in Oxford Western District Registry of Deeds in Book 27, Page 520, and by Michael Varney by deed dated November 29th, 1851, recorded in said Registry in Book 30, Page 88, and by George Stacy by deed dated September 28th, 1861, recorded in said Registry, Book 43, Page 574, and the same land described in deed from Elijah and Seth Stanley to John Douglas and Alva H. Stewart recorded in said Registry, Book 60, Page 219, the interest of said Stewart being conveyed to said Douglas by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 31, Page 75, and by Ebenezer B. Norton by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 31, Page 509, and by James Pearl Esq. by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 84, Page 533.

And whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken:

Now, therefore, I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage, on account of breach of its conditions.

Porter, Maine, March 6th, 1916.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$ 235,774.34
Mortgage Loans, 1,170,630.00
Stocks and Bonds, 8,205,203.71
Cash in Office and Bank, 600,523.75
Agents' Balances, 1,175,132.78
Bills Receivable, 34,531.62
Interest and Rents, 84,007.67
All other Assets, 49,069.23

Gross Assets, \$11,664,103.22
Deduct items not admitted,
313,292.51

Admitted Assets, \$11,350,810.71

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 728,292.08
Unearned Premiums, 5,471,733.01
All other Liabilities, 220,437.23
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 3,899,437.17

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$11,320,710.41
\$1031-F.

LONDON & LANCASHIRE FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD., LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$ 300,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,022,630.33
Cash in Office and Bank, 839,430.16
Agents' Balances, 291,213.37
Bills Receivable, 1,819.43
Interest and Rents, 23,760.53
All other Assets, 599,294.93

Gross Assets, \$6,160,867.70
Deduct items not admitted,
487,632.78

Admitted Assets, \$5,673,234.92

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 180,076.59
Unearned Premiums, 2,753,026.73
All other Liabilities, 65,531.17
Deposit Capital, 299,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,877,330.43

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,640,261.92
\$1031-F.

**POEMS WORTH
READING****A VAGABY.**

By S. P. Driver.

I will not tell how oft I gaze
Out through the doorways of a dream,
And watch along night's misty ways
For her white garment's gleam;
But this my tell-tale pen will own—
A secret all too good to keep—
That, nevermore I walk alone
The corridors of sleep.

I will not trace her golden hair,
Nor paint the azure of her eye;
But, when she leads me up the stair
That leans against the sky,
I call her angel, and she seems
A very Maid of Paradise,
Too lovely even for my dreams,
Too radiant a prize.

Where'er she walks, the darkest gloom
Is bright and warm as garish day,
And ever, in her pathway, bloom
Rare blossoms of the May.
She is no myth, this love of mine,
For oft her lips and mine have
kissed,
And troops of elfin fairies twine
Gray rose-wreaths for our tress.

And Echo, at her coming, thrills
The farthest woodland with his song,
While, from the answering lakes and fells,
The waiting Naiads throng.
Her name is sacred, and her face
No curious eyes may hope to see;
They who would find her hiding place,
Must walk in dreams with me.

MAIDENHOOD.

By Longfellow.

Maiden with the meek, brown eyes,
In whose orbs a shadow lies
Like the dusk of evening skies!

Thou whose locks outshine the sun,
Golden tresses, wreathed in one,
As the braided streamlets run!

Standing, with reluctant feet,
Where the brook and river meet,
Womanhood and childhood fleet!

Gazing, with a timid glance,
On the brooklet's swift advance,
On the river's broad expanse!

Deep and still, that gliding stream
Beautiful to thee must seem,
As the river of a dream.

Then why pause with indecision,
When bright angels in thy vision
Beckon thee to fields Elysian?

Seest thou shadows calling by,
As the dove, with startled eye,
Sees the falcon's shadow fly?

Hearst thou voices on the shore,
That our ears perceive no more,
Defeated by the catenact's roar?

Oh, thou child of many prayers!
Life hath quickened—Life hath
soured!

Care and age come unawares!
Like the swell of some sweet tone,
Morning rises into noon,

May glides onward into June.
Childhood is the bough, where shun-
bered

Birds and blossoms many-numbered;
Age, that bough with snows encum-
bered.

Gather, then, each flower that grows,
When the young heart overflows,
To embalm that tent of snows.

Bear a lily in thy hand;
Gates of brass cannot withstand
One touch of that magic wand.

Dear through sorrow, wrong, and ruth,
In thy heart the dew of youth,
On thy lips the smile of truth.

Oh, that dew, like balm, shall steal
Into wounds that cannot heal,
Even as sleep our eyes doth seal;

And that smile, like sunshine, dart
Into many a soulless heart,
For a smile of God thou art.

IN THE WOOD YONDER.

Today in the wood out yonder,
Through the driving storm of snow,
The spruce stands stark—a shape of
browne—

While the cedar bough hangs low,
The squirrel in its nook of gloom
Is still as the sun declines

To hear the tide of the frozen stream,
And the roar of the windy pines.

One day in that wood out yonder,
When the summer's face was fair,
A lover sought that restless stream
To await his darling there;

And ever and all around him
The morning birds rejoiced
To hear the lover of the woodland
things

That aye through the leaves were

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That day in the wood out yonder,
With her noiseless, eager feet,
She whom his soul had treasured long
Came not her beloved to greet;
And now, and now on his musing eyes
The lingering light declines,
And the twilight smites the doleful
stream,
And the harp of the grieving pines.

And lo! in that wood out yonder
Spoke one whom that watcher knew,
And said, "O Chief, thy braves are
slain,
And thy love—in death is true."
Then the warrior rose with a piercing
cry
That thrilled the woodland hear,
While the moon with ashen face looked
down,
And the waves sobbed on the shore.

"The white man sweeps like fire our
path,"
The friend went sternly on,
"And vengeance from my chieftan's
arm
Forever and aye is gone;
Thy wigwam, like a tent of mist,
Shall fall and melt from sight,
And thine arrow, speeding from the
bow,
Swerve, broken, in fruitless flight.

"For Manito of mighty voice
Hath uttered the decree,
'Warriors, ye are a conquered race,
And I will that ye cease to be.'
Alone, in sorrow and in shame,
The lover bowed his head,
And the mystic light the moonbeams
cast
Was around him faintly shed.

And long in the wood out yonder
The stillness reigned supreme,
Save for the wind's incessant wail
And the night-bird's startled scream.
The shadows came, the shadows went,
The morning broke at last
And touched a peaceful face of bronze,
And a radiance o'er it cast.

And oh, by the wood out yonder
The waters, sobbing, went,
And leaves that long had sung of love
Drooped low in discontent;
For he whose voice no equal knew
In pleading or command
Lay with the dawn light on his brow—
Slain thus by his own right hand!

And now in the wood out yonder
His race no more is seen,
Supple of limb and light of tread,
And undaunted in their mien;
The spruce stands black against the
storm,
The pines moan with the waves,
A monument and a ceaseless dirge
O'er the place of their vanished
graves.

—Mary E. Blanchard.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Allice Cross, who has been teaching
in Lebanon, Me., is visiting her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Cross.
Ruth Farrington was a guest of rela-
tives in Berlin, N. H., last week.

Mrs. Dellison Conroy of Bethel was
a guest of her cousin, Mrs. Ralph King,
recently.

Mrs. W. H. Crockett went Saturday
to Rockfield to visit her sister, Mrs.
Washington Heald, for a few weeks.

Harold Crooker, who has been very
sick with bronchitis, is gaining.

Mrs. D. H. York of Bethel visited
with Mrs. C. H. Bartlett, Thursday.

C. R. Bartlett is gaining slowly.
Millinery Opening, Friday and Sat-
urday, March 31, April 1. L. M.
Stearns. See advt.

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HANOVER.

The Whist Club met Thursday evening
at the home of A. T. Powers. First
prizes were won by Mrs. Kate Howe
and C. F. Saunders, second by Martha
Bartlett and Lawrence McPherson. Re-
freshments of sandwiches and coffee
were served.

Miss Ida Adams, who has been visit-
ing at John McPherson's, returned to
her home at Rumford, Sunday.

Mrs. Andy Barlow and brother called
at E. A. Trask's, Bethel, recently.

Alton Williamson of Rumford Center
visited at C. F. Saunders', Wednes-
day.

Leon Roberts was at Rumford, Wed-
nesday.

Wallace Warren and wife were re-
cent visitors at Henry Stearns'.

Clark Morse has been visiting his
aunt in Grafton.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns'.
See advt.

NORTH NEWRY.

Miss Lena Thompson is a guest of
her sister, Mrs. E. R. Eames.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wight went to
Bethel the last of the week.

Mrs. M. A. Kilgore has been very
sick, but is much better at this writing.

Mrs. Ralph Kilgore is at home for a
few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight were
guests at P. P. Flint's, Saturday.

It is reported that Bear River
Grange is to build a new hall this com-
ing summer.

The assessors will be in session on
Saturday, April 1st, at L. E. Wight's
to receive lists of polls and estates tax-
able in town.

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urday, March 31, April 1. L. M.
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At Bethel in the State of Maine, at
the close of business on March 7, 1916.

RESOURCES.
1 a Loans and discounts
(except those shown
on b), \$54,363.48

2 a Overdrafts, unsecured, .84
3 a U. S. Bonds deposited
to secure circula-
tion (par value), 10,000.00

4 a Securities other than
U. S. bonds (not in-
cluding stocks) own-
ed unpledged, 33,000.00

5 a Subscription to stock
of Federal Reserve
Bank, \$2,100.00

6 Less amount un-
paid, 1,050.00
8 Furniture and fixtures, 85.75

10 Net amount due from
Federal Reserve Bank, 3,300.00

11 b Net amount due
from approved re-
serve agents in oth-
er reserve cities, 15,694.44

12 Net amount due from
banks and bankers
(other than included
in 10 or 11), 35,302.94

15 a Outside checks and
other cash items, 125.48
b Fractional currency,
nickels, and cents, 139.57

16 Notes of other nation-
al banks, 1,291.03

18 Coin and certificates, 5,251.00

19 Legal-tender notes, 1,500.00

20 Redemption fund with
U. S. Treasurer and
due from U. S. Treas-
urer, 500.00

Total, \$102,066.49

LIABILITIES.
24 Capital stock paid in, 425,000.00

25 Surplus fund, 10,000.00

26 Undivided prof-
its, 7,452.03

c Less current expendi-
ture, interest, and tax-
es paid, 306.38

27 Circulating notes out-
standing, 10,000.00

31 Dividends unpaid, 90.00

32 Individual deposits sub-
ject to check, 100,045.08

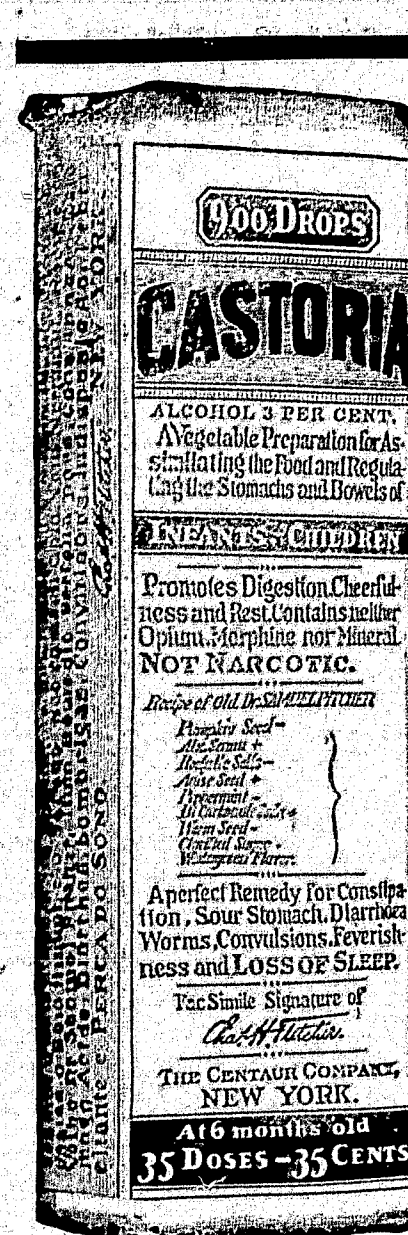
34 Certified checks, 9,841.77

Total demand depos-
its, \$112,338.33
35, 36, 37, 38,
and 39, \$109,889.33

Total, \$102,066.49

STATE OF MAINE, COUNTY OF OX-
FORD, ss:
I, Elery C. Park, Cashier of the
above-named bank, do solemnly swear
that the above statement is true to the
best of my knowledge and belief.

ELERY C. PARK, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18th day of March, 1916.
A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.
Corrected-Attest:
BETH WALKER,
N. F. BROWN,
I. C. JORDAN,
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SOUTH PARIS, MAINE

Annual Statements of a Few of the Companies Represented.

FIDELITY-PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK.**ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915**

Real Estate, \$ 500,500.00
Mortgage Loans, 16,500.00
Stocks and Bonds, 14,764,741.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,007,704.57
Agents' Balances, 1,405,627.30
Interest and Rents, 116,940.01

Gross Assets, \$17,987,012.88
Deduct items not admitted,
240,075.52

Admitted Assets, \$17,746,937.36

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 405,300.05
Unearned Premiums, 7,909,320.42
All other Liabilities, 700,050.67
Cash Capital, 2,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 6,170,650.63

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$17,746,937.36
plus,
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
3-10-31-W. South Paris, Maine.

UNITED STATES FIDELITY & GUARANTY COMPANY, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.**ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915**

Real Estate, \$ 724,137.32
Mortgage Loans, 22,750.00
Collateral Loans, 20,390.00
Stocks and Bonds, 6,007,504.76
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,110,634.86
Agents' Balances, 1,822,840.06
Bills Receivable, 2,600.00
Interest and Rents, 82,180.50
All other Assets, 255,814.69

Gross Assets, \$10,523,857.50
Deduct items not admitted,
816,838.08

Admitted Assets, \$9,707,019.42

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,178,268.02
Unearned Premiums, 3,663,724.12
All other Liabilities, 682,861.43
Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,183,162.95

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$9,707,019.42
plus,
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
3-10-31-F. South Paris, Maine.

HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN.**Abstract of Statement, Jan. 1, 1916.**

Cash Capital, \$2,000,000.00
Total Assets, \$6,234,416.22
Reserve Reinsurance, 2,473,007.92
For Losses Unadjusted, 33,988.00
Surplus as Regards Policy Holders, 3,570,755.42

L. E. Brainerd, President and Treas.
C. S. Blake, Secretary.
Boston Office, 101 Milk St.; C. E. Roberts, Manager and Resident Agent.

3-10-31-F.

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE CO., HARTFORD, CONN.**ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915**

Real Estate, \$ 715,577.93
Mortgage Loans, 465,000.00
Collateral Loans, 35,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 22,002,622.37
Cash in Office and Bank, 1,691,928.37
Agents' Balances, 3,501,366.70
Bills Receivable, 16,170.82
Interest and Rents, 272,591.49
All other Assets, 38,922.51

Gross Assets, \$29,039,080.40
Deduct items not admitted,
1,361,853.07

Admitted Assets, \$28,277,227.33

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 1,651,493.67
Unearned Premiums, 10,350,861.57
All other Liabilities, 1,025,000.00
Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 7,350,972.93

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$28,277,227.33
plus,
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
3-10-31-W. South Paris, Maine.

INDIANA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.**ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915**

Real Estate, \$ 30,500.00
Mortgage Loans, 235,400.00
Stocks and Bonds, 233,814.90
Cash in Office and Bank, 17,615.57
Agents' Balances, 17,400.00
Interest and Rents, 9,299.32

Gross Assets, \$600,075.45
Deduct items not admitted,
1,000.00

Admitted Assets, \$600,075.45

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S, MAINE

Companies Represented.

FORD FIRE INSURANCE CO.

HARTFORD, CONN.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

State, \$ 715,577.33

Life Loans, 465,000.00

Real Estate, 35,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 22,002,622.37

Office and Bank, 1,091,928.57

Agents' Balances, 3,501,366.70

Unpaid Losses, 16,170.33

Interest and Rents, 272,601.49

Other Assets, 38,922.31

Gross Assets, \$20,630,080.10

Deduct items not admitted, 1,361,853.07

Admitted Assets, \$19,268,227.03

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Unpaid Losses, \$1,551,493.02

Unearned Premiums, 16,350,361.73

Other Liabilities, 1,025,000.00

Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 7,350,972.93

LIABILITIES and Sur-

\$19,268,227.03

W. WHEELER & CO., Agents,

W. South Paris, Maine.

ANA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL

FRANCO COMPANY, INDI-

ANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

State, \$ 30,300.00

Life Loans, 580,400.00

Real Estate, 233,881.00

Stocks and Bonds, 17,513.57

Office and Bank, 17,400.00

Agents' Balances, 9,289.92

Unpaid Losses, \$600,075.45

Unearned Premiums, 222,217.57

Other Liabilities, 6,062.79

Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 268,884.44

LIABILITIES and Sur-

\$600,075.45

E.

T EASTERN CASUALTY CO.

OF NEW YORK.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

Life Loans, \$185,500.00

Real Estate, 704,072.37

Stocks and Bonds, 65,220.92

Office and Bank, 120,689.63

Agents' Balances, 9,493.63

Unpaid Losses, \$1,083,231.57

Unearned Premiums, 41,120.87

Other Liabilities, \$1,047,163.70

Capital, \$89,318.23

Surplus over all Liabilities, 322,934.53

LIABILITIES and Sur-

\$1,047,163.70

F.

JOE
THE BOOK FARMER

MAKING GOOD
ON THE LAND

By
GARRARD HARRIS

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SYNOPSIS

Joe Weston, fourteen years old, decides to make a success of his father's run-down farm. He reads the latest scientific books, Mr. Somerville, a merchant, agrees to help him.

Joe's father is pessimistic. He sneers at book farming and book farmers. Mr. Somerville, struck with Joe's business ability and ambition, backs him in prize competitions.

Passerby on the road lingers to watch Joe operate. The sneers that were in evidence at first soon give way to looks of surprise. Joe is showing them something as a farmer.

Joe's father's pessimism gradually fades away. He watches Joe work. He sees him perform wonders with the soil. He soon is as enthusiastic as Joe. His conversion pleases Mr. Somerville.

Joe's corn is the wonder of the countryside. With money he received from a commission merchant for his product he starts a bank account, which he proudly exhibits to his father.

There is a constant demand for the corn Joe is raising. In the prize competition Joe makes 188 bushels on an acre at a cost of \$12.00.

It is announced that Joe Weston, the book farmer, won the first corn prize for his county. His father says, "Son, I'm powerful proud of ye."

Joe is overwhelmed with joy at receipt of a telegram that he also has won state championship. With the money he pays off part of the farm's indebtedness. He also wins trip to White House.

Joe describes to his mother and sister his trip to the White House and his talk with the president. Then he goes back to the farm which now is the talk of the entire countryside.

Joe meets Tom Ralston, a boy of about his own age. Tom is from the north and is in quest of health. The Ralston boy's father is wealthy, and Joe and Tom become fast friends.

Tom Ralston's father takes a great liking to Joe and offers to back him and help him in every way. Joe finally accepts Mr. Ralston's offer of fifty loads of manure.

Joe buys his mother a canning outfit. His mother and sister are enthusiastic at the prospect of helping in the general money making scheme, and they start work with a will.

Tom Ralston has been studying scientific farming, and he gives Joe valuable points. Joe takes his father to the corn field and they actually hear the corn grow.

The time for the next exhibit is near, and Joe and his father and Tom Ralston call in witnesses. It is now plain that "Joe, the Book Farmer," is the leading prize winner of the county and state.

The squire, who was justice of the peace for the township, accepted the invitation, as did the other two. Both of them were men of standing in the community. Mrs. Weston and Annie were in quite a commotion over the preparation of an adequate dinner and promised to have one that would do justice to the occasion.

Bright and early Tuesday, therefore, the jovial squire drove up in his buggy. He was welcomed by Joe and his father. His horse was unhitched and put in the pasture. Two posts seven feet high had been sunk in the ground and a beam nailed across the top to swing the scales to. A big box, with four wires adjusted so it could be easily hung on the scales, was ready. The squire took his weight—six pounds even. Mr. Tomlinson and Mr. Wilson arrived, and they also weighed the box and agreed on the weight, which was noted in the brand new account book Joe had furnished to keep the record of weights in.

"My land, Joe, you ain't goin' to pull an' shuck all that corn, are you?" inquired Mr. Tomlinson. "Rest of the Corn club boys has their acre estimated."

"I don't want any estimate. I want to know," replied Joe.

"Four of us are goin' to work," said Mr. Weston. "We'll clean it up heap soon'a you think."

"Oh, I ain't kickin'; just thought you was makin' a heap of trouble for your self," said the visitor.

Chairs were brought out for the three men, and Joe and his father invited the acre, going in an orderly and careful way, starting at the first row, up one row and down another, getting the ears from the five ear stalks. Each earther had a sack awaiting about his neck. In all there were about three bushels of this corn. They shucked the ears as they pulled. Then it was placed in the box, weighed, and each bushel was recorded in the book.

After the five ear corn had been gathered and stored in a box at the house because of its great value the four ear corn was tackled. There were some twenty-five bushels of this. As each box was swung on the scales and weighed the number of pounds was set down in the record.

Tom Ralston and Link had arrived by this time, and they were put at work with Joe and his father gathering the three ear corn. Something over sixty bushels of this was got, and the bell rang for dinner.

It was a fine, hearty meal and cooked in the very best of style. Mrs. Weston blushing received the compliments of the guests and noted with satisfaction the full justice the men

Women Once
Invalids

Now in Good Health Through Use
of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable
Compound. Say it is Household
Necessity. Doctor Called it a
Miracle.

All women ought to know the wonderful effects of taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound even on those who seem hopelessly ill. Here are three actual cases:



Harrisburg, Penn.—"When I was single I suffered a great deal from female weakness because my work compelled me to stand all day. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for that and was made stronger by its use. After I was married I took the Compound again for a female trouble and after three months I passed what the doctor called a growth. He said it was a miracle that it came away as one generally goes under the knife to have them removed. I never want to be without your Compound in the house."—Mrs. FRANK KNOW, 1042 Fulton St., Harrisburg, Penn.

Hardly Able to Move.

Albert Lea, Minn.—"For about a year I had sharp pains across my back and hips and was hardly able to move around the house. My head would ache and I was dizzy and had no appetite. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills, I am feeling stronger than for years. I have a little boy eight months old and am doing my work all alone. I would not be without your remedies in the house as there are none like them."—Mrs. F. E. YOSI, 611 Water St., Albert Lea, Minn.

Three Doctors Gave Her Up.

Pittsburg, Penn.—"Your medicine has helped me wonderfully. When I was a girl 18 years old I was always sickly and delicate and suffered from irregularities. Three doctors gave me up and said I would go into consumption. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and with the third bottle began to feel better. I soon became regular and I got strong and shortly after I was married. Now I have two nice stout healthy children and am able to work hard every day."—Mrs. CLEMENTINA DUEHNING, 84 Gardner St., Troy Hill, Pittsburg, Penn.

All women are invited to write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for special advice—it will be confidential.

old to the vlands set before them.

The guests and the Westons sat on the front porch for awhile after dinner while the men smoked their pipes. All three of the visitors, practical farmers, were lavish in their praise of the corn.

"If I hadn't 'n' seen it with my own eyes I wouldn't 'n' believed it," observed the squire. "I been hearin' a lot about what these Corn club boys been doin', but I thought it was most talk. But that corn beats anything I ever seen."

Joe had slipped away and came back with three bundles of three ears each. He presented a bundle to each guest.

"That corn will average four ears to the stalk," he said. "I will build it up to five ears in three more years, but

gathered, and the three men walked to the house to add up the totals and reduce the weight to bushels.

Joe went with them and presented his record of expenditures; then returned to the field, where he and Link and Tom and Mr. Weston began gathering up the shucks to be stored for feed and bedding for the cattle in the winter time. After awhile the squire called Joe to come there. Joe and his father went up, accompanied by Tom, to hear the verdict.

"Well, Joe," said the squire, "we've been over all this mighty careful. Each man has added it and agreed on the total. Each man has divided it into bushels, an' our figgers tally. Then we went over the expense an' figured that out, too, an' applied it per rata per bushel."

"Yes, sir," said Joe, a lump in his throat. "What does it make?"

"You've done a plumb re-markable thing. You've made two hundred an' thirty-three bushels of corn on that acre," announced the squire impressively. "I wouldn't 'n' believed it unless I seen it an' weighed it, but that's what it is. The figgers are right, an' the weights are right."

"That's just bully," said Joe, with glowing eyes. "I did not think it would run that high."

"Beats anything I ever seen!" exclaimed Tomlinson.

"But what about the cost?" inquired Joe anxiously.

"Well, sir, according to the records, you've made this here corn at a cost of 13½ cents a bushel!"

Joe threw his hat in the air and gave a yell of joy, in which he was joined by Tom.

"I would have been tickled to death to have done it on from sixteen to twenty!" he exulted. "They can't beat me to save their lives! I've got 'em beat!"

"Looks like it to me!" enthused Mr. Weston.

"Come on in here, now, Joe, an' make the affidavies I write out to the cost and the record of work an' all, so there can't be no question about it. I brought my seal with me, an' I'll swear you to it. Then this committee will certify to it and swear to the weights an' figgers. We'll attach the record of weights to the certificate," said the squire.

"Nothin' like doin' things up ship shape with an affidavit," solemnly advised Mr. Tomlinson.

"No; we're all powerful proud of what you've done, Joe, an' we don't want no slipup at the last minute," said Mr. Wilson. "We want our country to take the prize over all of 'em again."

"You go in for the prize at the county fair next week?" inquired the squire after the papers were all fixed.

"No, sir. I told the boys I would not compete with 'em on yield because I've had experience. This is the first year for about nine-tenths of 'em."

To be continued.

Every Night Joe Learned Something New.

right now there isn't anything in this county that'll touch it. I want you to take it with my compliments and give it a chance. Don't plant it near any other corn and see for yourself what it will do."

They were profuse in their expressions of pleasure at getting a start of the famous corn and asked many questions of Joe and his father as to how he managed to get such a tremendous crop from a small piece of land. As they adjourned to the acre Wilson and Tomlinson pulled out their coats.

"You got all that special seed corn out of there, ain't you, Joe?" asked Mr. Wilson.

"Yes, sir, why?"

"Well, we got to have some exercise," said Tomlinson. "We're so full of fried chicken an' chicken pie that if we don't move about we'll go to settin' pretty soon."

"All right; glad to have the help," said Mr. Weston genially.

They did, and with a will. With six persons pulling and hauling, fine progress was made. After it was weighed it was dumped in the wagon bed, and when the wagon was full it was hauled to a new ratproof crib and stored. At 5 o'clock the last ear had been

FORD'S PEACE PARTY.

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Hague some of my friends gave me letters to mail. I assume that they were personal messages to family and friends, and that they were handed me to expedite their arrival in the United States. They might have been posted in Holland, and one would naturally suppose that the postal treaty signed at Berne, Switzerland, furnished protection for such communications, that the British, who complain so much about the violation of the treaty involving Belgium, would respect the lesser document in which their government is pledged with respect to mail, particularly in transit on a neutral ship plying between two neutral countries. But the people of the Scandinavian countries and of Holland, are aware that the British have not followed this course. When we arrived at Deal, England, the Holland mail destined for the United States and elsewhere was taken off our ship by the British. Our American passports were called for at Rotterdam, Deal and Falmouth. At the last port we were not given the superficial examination that had occurred heretofore. I was asked the usual questions as to age, nativity, etc., and then the inquiry followed: "Have you any sealed letters in your possession?" Upon answering in the affirmative the British Lieutenant demanded that I should produce them. My resentment had been kindled by witnessing many of my fellow passengers under the same conditions, surrendering in meek humility. So I answered that as an American citizen that I protested against the invasion of my rights. The Lieutenant and his fellow officers were good fellows, and wanted to convince me that I was wrong. Thereupon I requested the presence as witness to the nature of my protest of Doctor Henry Van G. Van Dyke, American Minister to Holland, who is aboard. Doctor Van Dyke appeared very shortly. As a result I put my protest in writing, and a British marine accompanied me to my room to secure the letters. I took a receipt. The British Navy won, but I had made my point clear enough to carry to the State Department in Washington. However I may decide instead to keep the document signed by "W. A. Kelsall, Sub Lieutenant Royal Navy Reserves" as a souvenir of my little brush with His Majesty's Navy. In subtle vengeance today, I asked an Englishman if he knew the history of the Boston Tea Party.

My conclusions after the experiences related is that the seas belong to the neutral alone, and that England, Germany and the other belligerents who have made traveling unsafe are wholly in the wrong.

In relating these instances I am apprehensive that some may read between the lines that I am pro German, pro English, or something else. What I really feel is that I am pro Peace, and for the Neutral Nations, and want this war to stop.

GENERAL INDEMNITY CORPORATION OF AMERICA, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Bonds, (Book Value), \$341,120.01

Cash in Office and Bank, 35,771.93

Bills Receivable, (Premiums in course of collection), 3,416.29

Interest accrued on Bonds, 4,880.80

Gross Assets, \$385,188.03

Admitted Assets, \$385,105.08

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Unearned Premiums, \$ 57,654.23

All other Liabilities, (Reserved for Taxes), 1,308.71

Cash Capital, 200,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 126,224.14

Total Liabilities and Sur-

plus, \$385,185.08

3-16-31—F.

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE CO., HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate, \$2,291,350.00

Mortgage Loans, 34,003,118.52

Collateral Loans, 282,110.00

Stocks and Bonds, 46,913,240.50

Cash in Office and Bank, 5,038,828.58

Agents' Balances, 76,577.55

Bills Receivable, 37,291.84

Interest and Rents, 1,487,570.93

All other Assets, 16,881,893.42

Gross Assets, \$107,012,000.54

Deduct items not admitted, 1,064,337.54

Admitted Assets, \$105,947,663.00

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,103,745.29

Unearned Premiums, 60,215.33

All other Liabilities, 88,500,869.57

Cash Capital, 5,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, \$5,505,602.11

Total Liabilities and Sur-

plus, \$105,947,663.00

ELMER L. LOVEJOY, Agent,

Hartford Falls, Maine.

3-16-31—G.



Enrich the Soil

Year by year the natural fertility of the soil is taken away by growing crops. This natural fertility can only be restored by feeding nature's food made of animal substances. Essex Fertilizers give this plant food in available forms—BONE, BLOOD and MEAT and high-grade chemicals. They restore the natural fertility to the soil and produce abundant yields. BONE, BLOOD and MEAT Fertilizers act quickly. They are fine and run freely through fertilizer drills or planters. Due to the lack of potash this year, reliable manufacturers have either been compelled to charge exorbitant prices for potash or to make fertilizers without it. Essex High-Grade Fertilizers have always grown profitable crops. We made extensive experiments without potash and now offer you Essex Animal Fertilizers that will permanently enrich your soil. Ask your local dealer about them or write the

ESSEX FERTILIZER CO., Boston, Mass.

ESSEX BONE BLOOD MEAT Fertilizers

BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE CO., TORONTO, CANADA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Stocks and Bonds, \$1,308,088.60

Cash in Office and Bank, 353,220.32

Agents' Balances, 171,018.13

Interest and Rents, 23,426.38

All other Assets, 1,566.99

Gross Assets, \$1,947,820.42

Deduct items not admitted, 7,543.70

Admitted Assets, \$1,940,276.72

LIABILITIES DEC. 3

KIDNEY RELIEF

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The Right Treatment.

Kidney disease is caused mainly by disordered digestive organs (the stomach, liver and bowels). If your stomach is upset, indigestion follows; then kidneys become clogged with impurities; the blood is made impure and poisons the whole body. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy not only helps the stomach, liver and bowels to act right, but it acts directly upon the kidneys, as well, cleansing and strengthening them.

Do you have pains in the back, brick dust deposits, swelling pains, swelling around eyes, constipated bowels, drowsiness, fever, rheumatic pains, indigestion? Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the medicine you need; powerful, though gentle in action. Write Dr. David Kennedy Co., Roseton, N. Y., for free trial bottle.

MAYOR RICH RE-ELECTED
AT BETHEL, N. H.

The Bethel Reporter Praises Former Bethel Boy.

By the action of Tuesday the City of Bethel secured itself of a continuance for another year of the good government which has characterized the year just past, and, in fact, the whole period of its existence as a city.

From the adoption of the city form of government Bethel has been singularly fortunate in its choice of Mayors and members of the Council, broad-minded, progressive men, who have been instrumental in the upbuilding of a city that has made unparalleled progress as an industrial center.

Through the list is short, the city may well point with pride to the names of those who have held the chief office of the city and the present Mayor elect in every way qualified to add lustre to the array of talent who have occupied the Civic chair.

It would be difficult to elect a Mayor whose ability and efficiency might mark him as more pre-eminently qualified for the position during the past year, and will continue in office until a fitting successor shall be chosen.

The past year has developed marked improvement in the city economically, industrially and socially, and while many improvements had been contemplated previously, the administration of the past year made them practical realities, and this without undue increase of expenditure.

Judge Rich has demonstrated himself as an energetic, efficient official, and has exercised his best endeavors for the civic welfare. How well he has succeeded is apparent in the advance made by the city during his administration.

Through his tact and his superior judgment in the selection of appointive officers, harmonious relations have been maintained in all branches of the city government, and all have worked together for the common good, thus making the administration a smoothly working engine for the promotion of the public welfare.

Personally Judge Rich is a most delightfully congenial gentleman, a man of fine and forceful presence, and of magnetic energy, accomplishing his undertakings by direct methods. He is one of the leading members of his profession in the North Country, and in his business and social life is immovably integrated with the life of the city in which he has made his home.

The Reporter extends congratulations to Judge Rich on his re-election and to felicitate the city on having the services of a man whose ability, energy, integrity and experience give assurance of marked advance in the welfare of the city, industrially, commercially and socially, during his administration of its affairs.

The result of the election on Tuesday was largely discounted in advance of the event. No one was surprised with the exception of the few whose hopes were fathers to their thoughts.

Success was mostly laid aside and the men were chosen when a majority of their fellow-citizens regarded as the best men for the position.

Mayor Rich had a majority of three of the four wards of the city, and is re-elected by a large majority.

WEST BETHEL.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Allen were Sunday guests of their son at Bethel.

Mr. Edgar P. Farwell is very much improved from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bartlett and son, Wilbert, of Bethel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mills.

Robert Merrill is critically ill, and his daughter, Mrs. Helen Teller, is recovering from the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thurston spent the week end in Bethel.

Mrs. Helen Perkins and daughter, Dora, have returned from an extended stay in Portland.

Mr. Fred Wheeler and family from Bethel spent Sunday with relatives here.

P. H. Mills, principal of Jackson Grammar School, is spending the spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mills.

Military Opening, Friday and Saturday, March 31, April 1. L. M. Stearns. See advt.

MAINE LANDS FOR
FOREST RESERVE.

Purchases Include Some Big Tracts in Oxford County.

The national forest reservation commission recently approved the purchase under the Weeks' law of 33,025 acres of timber lands in the states of New Hampshire and Maine. According to Assistant Forester William L. Hall, in charge of the acquisition of lands, the new purchases are valued at an average of \$5.12 per acre. The average price recommended to the commission by Mr. Hall is \$5.08 per acre.

The tracts approved by the commission include 22,500 acres now owned by Hastings Bros. in Oxford County; 7,500 acres owned by the Conway Lumber Company in Grafton County, N. H.; 1,525 acres now owned by the Publishers' Paper Company, Oxford County; 450 acres owned by the Publishers' Paper Company, Carroll County, N. H.; 400 acres owned jointly by Andrew Bradley and Evans Kennett, Oxford County; 200 acres owned by Fred Page, Coos County, N. H., and 60 acres owned by the Publishers' Paper Company, Grafton County, N. H.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Bertha Cole was the week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole.

Mrs. Frank Goodrich of Gorham, N. H., was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell.

Mrs. B. E. Rich of Bethel, N. H., is with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Bean, who has been seriously ill.

Mrs. Lucetta Bean has returned from Lawrence, Mass., and is doing dressmaking in Norway, Me.

Mrs. H. L. Holt of Newport, Mass., and Miss Jennie Rich of Philadelphia arrived Monday for a short stay with relatives here.

Mr. H. O. Blake has had a telephone installed in his home residence here.

Mrs. Phyllis Whiting Needham, widow of the late H. W. Needham, whose death occurred March 13 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Cole of Hurd Point where she was spending the winter, was brought to the East Bethel cemetery for burial, Thursday, March 16. Mrs. Needham was formerly of Massachusetts, where she married Mr. H. W. Needham of Bethel, their first home in Maine being made at East Bethel, where they lived many years.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns. See advt.

BONGO POND.

Frank Foster is hauling pine off the Quarry hill lot to Kilgore's mill for Abner Kimball.

Mrs. Ed McPhee visited her sister, Mrs. Geo. Haggood, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Kimball called on Mrs. Ous Lamer, Sunday.

Mr. Haggood and son, who are stopping at Harry Lyon's, Grover Hill, were at Geo. Haggood's, Sunday.

Mr. Bickler lost a very nice horse, Sunday night. On going to the barn Monday morning he found the horse had caught his foot in the rope halter some time during the night and in trying to get loose had choked himself.

Mr. Edward Lapham is helping Rosemary cut pine on the J. P. Kimball farm.

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MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Miss Hazel Kenston of Lovell and Miss Nina Briggs returned to Bethel to their school, Monday, after spending their vacation at their homes.

Lester Swan called on Elmer Saunders last Sunday.

Misses Nina and Irene Briggs called on Mrs. Lydia Fernald last Wednesday.

Mrs. Geo. Briggs was called to Bethel last week by the serious illness and death of her son.

Miss Irene Briggs had her arm quite badly bitten by a dog last week.

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MAINE STATE REFERENCE
LIBRARY.

Below is a list of books recently added to the Maine State Reference Library and will be loaned to any citizen of Maine, the only cost to the borrower being the parcel post. Address all communications to Maine State Library, Augusta, Maine.

1. Bookbook of Leftovers, Harper.

2. Studies in Inland Occupation, Tracy.

3. Chemistry of food and nutrition, Sherman.

4. Handbook on Sanitation, Price.

5. Landmarking, Baldwin.

6. Food Values, Locke.

7. A nurse in every home, Overlook.

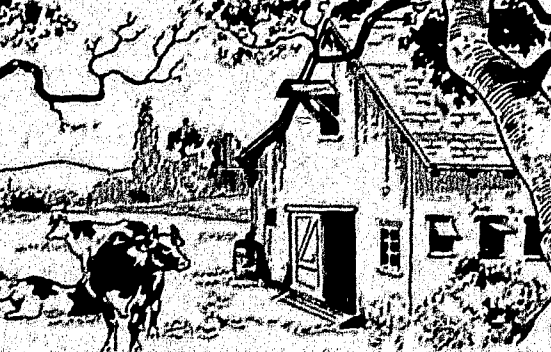
8. Equipment for teaching domestic Science, Parson.

9. Elements of the Theory and Practice of Cookery, Williams and Fisher.

10. Household Textiles, Gibbs.

11. Food and Cookery for the sick and convalescent, Farmer.

12. Planning and Paraphrasing the

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Events of Interest from Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE "PLATTSBURG IDEA."

Reports to the War Department show that military training camps, founded on the "Plattsburg idea," will be held in at least seven points in the United States this summer. Indications are that more than thirty thousand men will undergo military training under regular army officers in these camps. The location of the camps will extend from coast to coast and as far north as Lake Champlain—the site of the original Plattsburg camp—as far south as Atlanta and San Antonio.

The "Plattsburg idea" is unique, army officers say, in that it is promulgating no legislative propaganda. Its whole idea, they say, is to afford opportunity to every man to take a few weeks military training under some of the best army officers in Uncle Sam's service. Interest in the "Plattsburg idea" has advanced so greatly since the camps of last summer, in which about two thousand students, business and professional men participated, at Plattsburg, that a Military Training Camps Association has been organized with headquarters at 31 Nassau street, New York City. The association has undertaken the work of enrolling the applicants for admission to this year's camps. They are coming in by the hundreds and will be rapidly assigned to the camps for the period of time which may suit the men wishing to enroll. The first camp will be that at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. It begins April 3 and lasts until April 30. The second camp there will cover the period of a month later and the third the month of June, the fourth, from July 5 to August 5. The first camp at Plattsburg begins June 5 and will be followed by four other camps, the last of which closes October 5. The camp at San Antonio, Texas, will open early in June. That at Monterey, California, will open early in July. Another will be held in the Middle West, probably at Chicago, and others at Salt Lake, Utah, and another at American Lake, Washington.

AIM OF THE TRAINING CAMPS.

The whole aim of the military training camps is to give men four or five weeks of military instruction under regular army officers. The work of the camps is supplementary to the work of the militia in the different states. In behalf of the movement it is asserted that the result to be attained is not only military training with its physical and moral advantage but even the bigger idea of developing a sense of obligation and patriotism. The foremost college presidents of the country are behind the idea and are assisting in the enrollment of students, which will be very large this year. The installment of the idea of national service is large in the minds of those who are giving their time to forwarding the Plattsburg movement. Those who have seen the work see as a result of it the possible foundation for a national army. Delancey K. Jay, of New York City, who served at the first Plattsburg camp and who has been made executive secretary of the Military Training Camps Association, is sending information to all men who may desire to serve in any of the camps.

SPIES AND LOBBIES.

Another "exclusive story" about a German lobby working in Washington has been inflicted on an already overtaxed public mind. There are other stories every week or two about spies, plots, and divers other horrible things. Of course these reports are not comforting, even though many of them are largely the creative work of sensational writers. Preventative measures to guard public buildings and records are rigidly enforced in Washington this winter.

THE SECOND THING OF IMPORTANCE.

The House of Representatives stopped long enough in the heat of one of its latest controversies to solicitate Speaker Champ Clark upon his sixty-sixth birthday. Champ's friends are trying to figure out whether he is still presidential age.

ANXIOUS DAYS.

These are anxious days in Washington, and the controversies in administration and legislative affairs are distressing, and the present condition fraught with great danger. Viewed from a political standpoint the outcome of the discussion is apt to lead to all sorts of complications at Chicago and St. Louis. The country is certainly on the qui vive—and cool heads are striving to keep the nation out of the great world conflict.

SOME DOMESTIC PROBLEMS.

The old, old questions of conservation, water power, public buildings, rivers and harbors improvements, and the like, are in the foreground on Capitol Hill. Secretary Lane recently issued a statement to the effect that a substitute had been found for potash. One of the big questions given particular attention since the beginning of the war concerns the production of American fertilizers. European farmers have been producing on the average of about twice as much on every acre of land as is being done in the United States, and our lawmakers have decided that the fertilizer problem is largely responsible for the great disparity.

FERTILIZING—AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Recent public hearings before a committee of Congress point out the fact that Germany has a system of fertilization seven times as great per acre as that afforded the American farmer. Germany has solved the problem of cheap water power and is therefore able to take nitrogen for fertilizers from the air, and the price of the product is cut half in two. When, in our wisdom, the United States went pell-mell to the support of the conservation

movement a few years ago, we made the peculiarly common American mistake of going so far that we looked up our best water powers, thereby depriving them from their industrial value, which was bad for industry and commerce. As a result, the foreign countries swept ahead of us in producing cheap fertilizers, and the American farmer suffered from gradually increasing prices. Cheap fertilizers for the American farmer are promised by two bills now before Congress. Senator Shields' bill passed the Senate a few days ago, and is now before the House. The bill by Senator Myers of Montana is pending in the upper Chamber. President Wilson, Secretary Lane, and former Secretary Garrison, have been urging water power legislation, and they have each endorsed one or the other of the above bills. While American business enterprise now stands ready to establish water power industries necessary to nitrate production, and thereby eventually cut fertilizer prices, they are prevented, because, as Senator Shields says, "our country is bound and chained by archaic laws and conditions created before the invention of the steam turbine or the discovery of these new sciences and industries." Therefore the United States is paying millions of dollars a year for its nitrates. Chile is receiving \$21,000 a day as a tribute for Uncle Sam's neglect to utilize our own great resources, and the American farmer is footing the bill.

THE USE OF WATER POWERS.

The development of the water power industry in Europe reached the point where 1,200,000 water horse power was utilized for nitrogen extraction, before the war, while the United States with its 61,000,000 horse power available, is not using a single horse power for the above purpose. On the other hand Canada has been pulling the industry across the border and on their side of Niagara Falls there is a great installation, which was turned away from the United States, on account of our obsolete laws. These industries that have gone over into Canada have represented millions of dollars in investments; and the American farmers are now paying freight on the products from these plants. That the farmers throughout the country are vitally interested in correspondence regarding this subject, that is finding its way to the desks of Congressmen.

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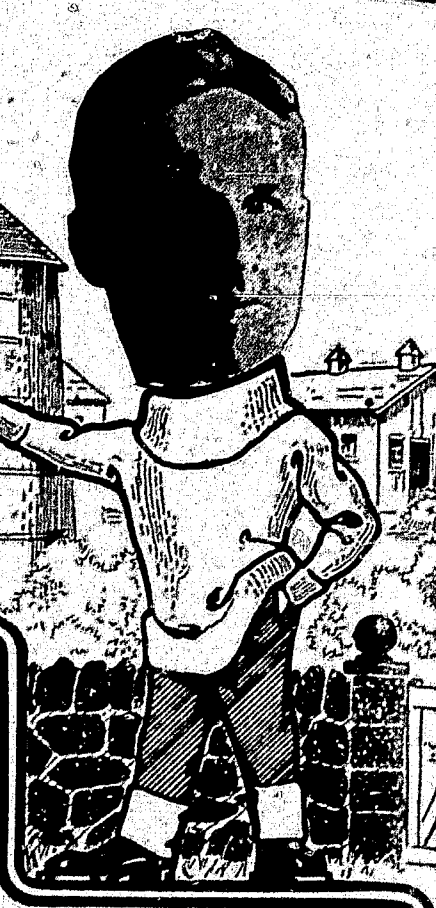
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FORD'S PEACE

Homeward Bound

By J. E. Jones.

Holland is magnificent; it exalts; it fairly intoxicates; it "heats the Dutch," I am convinced.

Having scattered these and explosives, I will proceed narrative. I have described to leaving Copenhagen. To of the Danish capital lies the significant agricultural region is diavian countries. When surrendered Schleswig-Holstein Germans in 1864, the people develop their lands so as to production, and thereby make the loss of territory. The accomplished their purpose, and made "two blades of grass grow there had been but one." farming and afforestation developed to a point that enthusiastic admiration.

The sun was shining the m awoke in Holland. Snow, r fogs, and discomforting tem all of a sudden departed. V out of our ear windows, and t the dams and dikes, and t windmills; there were broad of cultivated lands; comforta here and there. Sheep, cattle were plentiful, and were rolli Almost instantly you discov nowhere was there a speck o refuse of any sort. Holland, the eye could reach, looked a it had been scrubbed with "C Cleanser." Rural Holland beautiful that one feels that i like to have it all set in a fr carry it away. And wonderfu is nothing more nor less than t ed product of the Hollanders.

resents, in this analysis, the tion in intensive farming; foa hich of its agricultural lands is to go to waste. The wind Holland are not built for a they are busy aids to farmi mills and other establishment power is required. The princi lem they solve is that of drai will not go into the details, bu last stage of the drainage pro posed the water from the low l pooled in canals considerably the surface of the adjoining Through these leveled canals make the world look as thoug built upside down, the surplus of the lowlands is carried away.

Holland specializes in tulips, an expensive crop, and pays c ly in times of peace. One day sitting with my friend, Harry ars of Des Moines, looking oue ar window. Among the discov made was that the mud fl bottoms of the streams was ha to place on the top of the soil; ton, that the hedge fences grow stock or basket material for f We saw that only a part of a was utilized in many instances "little farm." The roads were now because the land was too v to waste. There was no unuse of way along the railroad track the employees of the line are f who cultivate this portion of the before us was the splendid co of intensive, scientific farming, demanded compensation from f of ground. I remarked to M ans that it was significant that soil, used for hundreds of year, never worn out, although in the long it perhaps was not so good farm lands of his own State of "compared to this system," I s al, "I own does not farm her lai—she mines her land, just as o people of all other portions of United States." Mr. Evans' repl that "if we cultivated the fene ars of Iowa as they farm in Ho the produce would be sufficient to our two million people."

In Pennsylvania I have seen settlements made by the Dutch there as elsewhere in the United States. These people have gone to g and colonies, the development has highly satisfactory. I believe it entirely safe to say that the Dut among the best farmers of Ameri found the highest American offe tional in Holland, willing to a to my suggestion that delegati farmers from our country shoul sent to Holland to learn how int farming has been developed. My recently was not new, since E to that suggestions of this nature ha been sent to Washington. So I left The Hague there was de at my hotel a large number

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